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## Uganda

### US State Dept Travel Advisory

The US Department of State currently recommends US citizens **RECONSIDER TRAVEL** to Uganda due to COVID-19. Exercise caution due to crime. Consult its website via the link below for updates to travel advisories and statements on safety, security, local laws and special circumstances in this country.

<https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/traveladvisories/traveladvisories.html>

### Passport/Visa Requirements

US citizens should make sure their passport will not expire for at least 6 months after they enter the country even if they do not intend to stay that long. They should also make sure they have at least 1 blank page in their passport for each entry stamp/visa that will be required. A visa is required. US citizens will need to get in touch with the country's embassy or nearest consulate to obtain a visa prior to visiting the country.

### US Embassy/ Consulate

+(256)256-414-259791; U S Embassy Kampala, 1577 Ggaba Road, Kampala, Uganda

### Vaccinations

An International Certificate of Vaccination for yellow fever is required for travelers arriving from countries with a risk of yellow fever transmission and for travelers having transited through the airport of a country with risk of yellow fever transmission. Polio vaccination (for children under 5); see WHO recommendations.

<http://www.who.int>

### Climate

Tropical; generally rainy with two dry seasons (December to February, June to August); semiarid in northeast

### Currency (Code)

Ugandan shillings (UGX)

### Electricity/Voltage/Plug Type(s)

240 V / 50 Hz / plug type(s): G



### Major Languages

English (taught in schools, used in courts of law and by most newspapers and some radio broadcasts), Ganda or Luganda (most widely used of the Niger-Congo languages and the language used most often in the capital), other Niger-Congo languages, Nilo-Saharan languages, Swahili, Arabic

### Religions

Protestant 45.1%, Roman Catholic 39.3%, Muslim 13.7%, other 1.6%, none 0.2%

### Time Difference

UTC+3 (8 hours ahead of Washington, DC, during Standard Time)

### Potable Water

Opt for bottled water.

<b>International Driving Permit</b>	Suggested
<b>Road Driving Side</b>	Left
<b>Tourist destinations</b>	Bwindi Impenetrable National Park; Kibale Forest National Park; Queen Elizabeth National Park; Ziwa Rhino Sanctuary; Murchison Falls National Park; Tombs of Bugana Kings; Uganda Wildlife Conservation Center
<b>Cultural Practices</b>	Walking over pots, especially those containing food, is considered very rude.
<b>Tipping Guidelines</b>	It is not customary to tip for service in hotels and bars. It is common to tip your driver and guide on a safari or hike, as well as the porter and cook that accompanies the group. Conventionally, \$10-20 (USD) per person per day would be a fair benchmark.
<b>Telephone Code</b>	256
<b>Local Emergency Phone</b>	112 (cell phone), 999 (fixed)

Please visit the following links to find further information about your desired destination.

[World Health Organization \(WHO\) - To learn what vaccines and health precautions to take while visiting your destination. http://www.who.int](http://www.who.int)

[US State Dept Travel Information - Overall information about foreign travel for US citizens. https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html](https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel.html)

[To obtain an international driving permit \(IDP\). Only two organizations in the US issue IDPs: American Automobile Association \(AAA\) \(www.aaa.com\) and American Automobile Touring Alliance \(AATA\) \(www.aataidp.com\)](http://www.aaa.com)

US citizens may call the US Dept of State (+1-202-501-4444) for emergencies abroad.

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